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IN RE APPLICATION OF: :

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SERIAL NO.: 09/805,016 :

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FOR: USE OF METHOXY-SALICYLALDEHYDE
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3)

Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), Applicant hereby petitions for the entry and consideration of the supplemental Information Disclosure Statement transmitted herewithin the above-identified case.

U.S. Pat. No. 5,977,068, granted November 2, 1999, teaches the use of vanillin, and certain derivatives thereof, as anti-fungal and anti-bacterial preservatives in parenteral formulations comprising biologically active macromolecules.

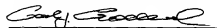
Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1), Applicants undersigned representative certifies that the item in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the present information disclosure statement.

It is requested that the references listed on the attached form, which complies with PTO-FB-A820, be included in the "References Cited" portion of any patent issuing from this application. (M.P.E.P. 1302.12) No fee for the filing of this supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is due.

A prompt and favorable response is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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